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Chatham Imports, Inc.

Opposer/Respondent/Petitioner,

v.

Washington Place LLC Applicant/Petitioner/Respondent.

Opp. No.: 91203706

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WASHINGTON PLACE LLC'S REPLY TO OPPOSER'S OPPOSITION TO ITS CROSS MOTION TO COMPEL A RESPONSE TO APPLICANT'S INTERROGATORY NO. 32

Applicant, Washington Place LLC ("Washington"), respectfully submits this reply to Opposer's, Chatham Imports, Inc. ("Chatham"), Opposition to Washington's Cross Motion to Compel, pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 2.127(a).

Chatham's response to Interrogatory No. 32 is deficient because it fails to "[i]dentify the meaning, definition and connotation of Chatham's Mark." Chatham answered the Interrogatory by stating that its FARMER'S mark "is the possessive form of the word farmer."

Remarkably, in its Opposition to Washington's Cross Motion to Compel, Chatham states that Washington has not identified why the response to Interrogatory No. 32 is deficient. The answer is simple. Chatham has not answered the Interrogatory. Chatham does not dispute that the meaning, definition and connotation of a mark is highly relevant in the current Opposition proceeding, particularly since this is a case that includes claims of likelihood of confusion and descriptiveness. Accordingly, the only disputed issue is whether Chatham's response that its FARMER'S mark "is the possessive form of the word farmer" is a good faith effort to provide the meaning, definition and connotation of the mark FARMER'S. Since all Chatham has offered

¹ See Chatham's Responses to Washington's First Set of Interrogatories attached to Washington's Cross Motion to Compel as "Exhibit C" (internal quotations omitted).

is the linguistic implications of the addition of an apostrophe and an "S" at the end of its mark, it

cannot possibly be found to have adequately responded to the Interrogatory. Chatham's response

is no better than pointing out the obvious fact that the mark "FARMER'S" is a word that begins

with the letter "F." While this is a true fact, it fails to provide the requested meaning, definition

and connotation of the mark.

Since Chatham has failed to provide information that is responsive to Interrogatory No.

32, namely, information regarding the meaning, definition and connotation of the FARMER'S

mark, the Board should compel Chatham to supplement its response to Interrogatory No. 32 by

providing the full and complete answer that the Federal Rules require. See Fed. R. Civ. P.

33(b)(3) ("Each interrogatory must, to the extent it is not objected to, be answered separately and

fully in writing under oath").

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I, <u>Govinda M. Davis</u>, hereby certify that on April 29, 2013, a copy of the foregoing **Reply to Opposer's Opposition to Applicant's Cross Motion to Compel** was served, via First Class Mail, postage pre-paid, on Chatham Imports, Inc.'s attorney of record at the following address:

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